

**NOTICE OF DRAFT PERMIT  
FOR THE KEKAHA MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE LANDFILL  
RENEWAL AND VERTICAL EXPANSION**

The Hawaii State Department of Health (DOH) is making available for review, the draft solid waste management renewal and modification permit to the County of Kauai (County) and Waste Management of Hawaii, Inc. (WMH), for the operation of the Kekaha Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Landfill. The draft permit will allow the County and WMH to continue landfill operations and include a vertical expansion to increase the permitted height to 120 feet above mean sea level.

The draft permit has been prepared under the provisions of Chapter 342H, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and Title 11, Chapter 58.1, Hawaii Administrative Rules. Federal solid waste regulations, 40 CFR 258, are incorporated into state regulations.

The Kekaha MSW Landfill is located on the island of Kauai, at 6900-D Kaumualii Highway, Kekaha. The Kekaha MSW Landfill is situated on 98 acres of land, and is comprised of two distinct refuse fill areas identified as Phase I, approximately 33 acres, and Phase II, approximately 38.4 acres. Phase I ceased operations on October 8, 1993. Phase II began operations on October 9, 1993. Phase II was constructed to meet the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Subtitle D criteria and is currently the only active permitted MSW landfill on Kauai.

The landfill accepts MSW from county collection routes, private collection companies, and residential and commercial self-haulers. MSW is defined as residential and commercial solid waste, non-hazardous industrial solid waste, and construction/demolition debris. The site will not accept regulated hazardous or TSCA-regulated polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) wastes, and non-household bulk or non-containerized liquid waste. The recyclable material and residential waste drop-off facility will be retained. The landfill has been designed and shall be constructed, maintained, and operated with approved liner systems, leachate collection and control systems, perimeter gas monitoring program, groundwater monitoring program, surface water management system, and other approved operational and monitoring programs.

Interested parties may review the permit application and draft permit at the Kekaha MSW Landfill at 6900-D Kaumualii Highway, Kekaha, Kauai (phone: 808-337-1416); at the County of Kauai, Solid Waste Division, 4444 Rice Street, Room 295, Lihue, Kauai (phone: 808-241-4839); and at the DOH, Solid and Hazardous Waste Branch, 919 Ala Moana Blvd, Room 212, Honolulu, Oahu (phone: 808-586-4226). In addition, the draft permit is available online at <http://health.hawaii.gov/shwb/solid-waste>.

All written comments should be submitted to the DOH, Solid and Hazardous Waste Branch, Attention: Mr. Steven Chang, 919 Ala Moana Boulevard, Room 212, Honolulu, Hawaii, 96814 (phone: 808-586-4226); and to the County of Kauai, Solid Waste Division, Attention: Mr. Troy Tanigawa, at 4444 Rice Street, Room 295, Lihue, Kauai 96766 (phone: 808-241-4839). The comment period will begin from the date of initial publication of this Notice of Draft Permit. The DOH will accept written comments until close of business on January 30, 2014.

The DOH will respond to all comments received with copies forwarded to the County. The DOH may revise the draft permit conditions should comments raise significant issues.

A public hearing to accept public comment on the draft permit and application has been scheduled for Thursday, January 30, 2014 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm at the Waimea Neighborhood Center, located at 4556 Makeke Road, Waimea, Kauai. DOH staff and the applicant will be available from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. to answer questions from the public prior to the public hearing.